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Description: ff. 107 - Bound in limp parchment, adapted from a larger binding, ca. 1600. On front cover: "The Book that is cleped the Mirror of the blissed Life Jesus Criste." On Spine: "No. 13" and "Speculum ____ the life of Jesus Christe." - Said by E. M. Thompson, The Carthusian Order in England (London 1930) 331 and 339 to have once belonged to Mount Grace because of its later Ingilby ownership; however, the manuscript seems to have entered the Ingilby library at a relatively late date, given the frequency of other sixteenth century ownership notes. Notes and pen trials include: f. 21, s. XV, in plummet, recorded in the 1930s, but no longer visible, "F a mersy quod s"; in the same hand apparently, and only barely visible, f. 36v, "W. Saxy." In late sixteenth century hands are: f. 1v, twice, "Christofer ____"; f. 80, "Thys indenteur mayd be xiiii day of fabruary in the xi year of the reayne of oure soferayng lady Elezabeth by the g." (1569); f. 96v, "Wylliam Barkar est verus possessor," "William Barkar ons this booke" 3 times (possibly the Cambridge scholar, William Barker, fl. 1572); f. 97, "Thys Indenture mayd the xxiii day of iuli in the xi day [sic] of the reande of our soferygn lady Quen," and, in a different hand, "Thomas Allyn of ronla ys a good felo ____ honorificabilitudinitatibus ____" (this same playful word in New Haven, Yale University, Beinecke Library, MS 60, f. 141); f. 106v, "Peter sa ____"; f. 107, a copy of a receipt in which "Lorances Baynes" is paid for one close for a term of 6 years, to be occupied by "Rychard Stewenson," 18 October 1556. Belonged to Sir William Henry Ingilby (1874-1950); his sale, Sotheby's, 21 October 1920, lot 160; Sotheby's, 30 January 1922, lot 876 to Archer; Sotheby's, 31 July 1922, lot 627 to Maggs; Maggs Catalogue 456 (1924) n. 268. Acquired by Henry E. Huntington from A. S. W. Rosenbach in February 1926. - C. W. Dutschke with the assistance of R. H. Rouse et al., Guide to Medieval and Renaissance Manuscripts in the Huntington Library (San Marino, 1989). HMC, 6th Report, App. (1877) 355-56. De Ricci, 105.

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Part 1: ff. 1-107v

Description: - Parchment - 196 x 280 mm - 1-1³/4²(+3, flyleaf). Catchwords in scrolls; quire and leaf signatures as letters and arabic numerals, some worn or trimmed away. 32 long lines, ruled in ink; top and bottom 2 lines full across; pricking visible in outer margins of most leaves.

Country: England

Cardinal point:

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Assigned Date: s. XV¹

Searchable Date Range:

1400 - 1450

Dated by scribe: No

Inscribed Date:

Document: No

Number of Scribes: ;

Script: Anglicana formata

Other Decoration: 6-line initial, f. 2v, and 4-line initial, f. 4v, each parted red and blue; 4-line blue initial with simple void white design on f. 97; 3- or 2-line initials in blue begin the chapters. Alternating red and blue paragraph marks; running title and marginal notes in the hand of the scribe. Biblical texts underscored in red.

Notes: The same scribe copied Cambridge University Library Mm.5.15 and Oo.7.45, both Nicholas Love manuscripts of Nicholas Love. Damage due to damp on ff. 97-106. Latin

Acknowledgments: - We thank Mr. Jeremy Griffiths for informing us of the other two manuscripts copied by the same scribe.

Number of Texts: 1

Text 1: ff. 1-105; ff. 105v-107v blank

Author: Nicholas Love

Title: Mirour of the Blessed Lyf of Jesu Christ

Title: A deuoute meditacioun of þe grete conseil in heuene for þe Restorynge of man & his sauacioun. Capitulum primum et prima pars libri

Language(s): English

Incipit: Afffir þe tyme þat man was exiled oute of þe hiȝ cite of heuene . . .

Explicit: with þe to liif euerlastynge Ihesu lorde bi vertue & grace of þi lif blissed withoute endyne. Amen. Amen. Amen. Ihesu lorde þi blissed lif, helpe & conforte oure wrecch[ed lif]. Amen. Explicit speculum v__leaf damaged____ Drede Shame and Thynkon.

Notes: L. F. Powell, ed., The Mirour of the Blessed Lyf of Jesu Christ, a Translation . . . by Nicholas Love. Roxburghe Club 151 (Oxford 1908); in the introduction Powell thanks Sir Henry Ingilby for the loan of his copy, presumably this manuscript. The edition does not print Arundel's approbation. On f. 2, a biographical note regarding Arundel, s.

XVI1: "Is primo Eliensis antistes deinde Eboracensis archiepiscopus et anglici regni Cancellarius ad postremum Guilielmo Corteneio qui vix annum pontificatum gesserat in Cantuariensi sede successit. 1415 henrici quinti primo." See E. Salter, Nicholas Love's "Myrrour of the Blessed Lyf of Jesu Christ." Analecta Cartusiana 10 (Salzburg 1974) 8 and, for a revised list of the manuscripts, E. Salter, "The Manuscripts of Nicholas Love's Myrrour of the Blessed Lyf of Jesu Christ and Related Texts," in A. S. G. Edwards and D. Pearsall, eds., Middle English Prose: Essays on Bibliographical Problems (New York 1981) 115-27. The text preceded by a chapter list, and three prologues. Some text lost from f. 97 to the end, due to damaged leaves.

